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Bristol Bay in the News: Week of April 29, 2011

On the investor front, Mitsubishi quietly dropped its shares of Pebble junior partner Northern Dynasty recently. Now, Northern Dynasty is actively looking to sell its 50% of the claim. Some say Rio Tinto is a natural suitor, but that mining company has also been under lots of pressure – from shareholders, Alaska Natives and even Robert Redford – to divest its 10 percent stake in Pebble (via its investment in Northern Dynasty).

In a new study on the Bristol Bay watershed, researchers have found critical spawning grounds for salmon right on the top of the Pebble prospect, including in smaller headwater streams.

Carol Ann Woody, a fisheries scientist and study co-author, said: "We were the first to document salmon in streams on top of the ore deposit. We caught salmon in spring fed pools that weren't connected to any visible streams. We found salmon in 3 of every 4 streams we surveyed, and fish important to subsistence, like Dolly Varden in 98 percent of the streams we looked at."

Here's a weekly roundup of media. For more information, see [www.SaveBristolBay.org](http://www.SaveBristolBay.org)

Northern Dynasty looks to sell Pebble stake

Andrew Jensen

Alaska Journal of Commerce

One half of the Pebble Limited Partnership is looking to sell. The CEO of Northern Dynasty Minerals Ltd. told Bloomberg News March 8 it expects to divest its 50 percent stake in the Pebble mine prospect "anytime later this year or next year."... Click here to read more

For Sale: Half of Pebble Mine?

Alaska Dispatch

Pebble Mine isn't even a reality yet and already it's for sale. Vancouver's Northern Dynasty Minerals recently announced its intention to sell its 50 percent stake in the controversial, proposed Bristol Bay mine, the world's largest gold deposit and fifth-largest copper deposit, according to the Alaska Journal of Commerce... Click here to read more

Salmon documented in streams on top of Pebble prospect

Margaret Bauman

Bristol Bay Times

A new fisheries research report documents the presence of wild salmon in streams on top of a major Southwest Alaska mine prospect and calls for further studies into potential impacts groundwater contamination could have on salmon populations... Click here to read more

Study documents salmon in streams atop proposed Pebble mine

Anchorage Daily News

Fisheries researchers working for The Nature Conservancy say they've documented the presence of wild salmon in most streams flowing through the site of the proposed Pebble open-pit mine in Southwest Alaska. They reported also finding rearing salmon in waters disconnected from streams, their presence explainable by floodwater or groundwater access, reports Alaska Newspapers Inc... [Click here to read more](#)

#### Addressing Alaskans: Bristol Bay Salmon KSKA

Before the University of Alaska existed, researchers from the University of Washington School of Aquatics and Fisheries Science began collecting data on Bristol Bay salmon. Today over 50 percent of the world's salmon population resides in Alaska's Bristol Bay, an exquisite landscape of interwoven waters reaching across 12,000 square miles. In 2010 University of Washington professors, Daniel Schindler and Thomas Quinn co-authored a landmark study Bristol Bay salmon habitat. This week on Addressing Alaskans, listen to their joint lecture at the 2011 Southwest Alaska Salmon Science Symposium on the health and diversity of Bristol Bay salmon... [Click here to listen](#)

#### Telling Rio Tinto to Stop the Mine in Bristol Bay Before it Starts

Joel Reynolds

Huffington Post Green Blog

Last week in London, I attended the shareholder meeting for Rio Tinto, one of the backers of a massive proposed copper and gold mine above Bristol Bay, Alaska. Representatives of communities from around the world gathered at the Queen Elizabeth II Conference Center near Westminster Abbey to question the company's board about a long list of mining ventures gone bad for the people around them... [Click here to read more](#)

#### Robert Redford declares anti-Pebble Mine sentiment

Alaska Dispatch

Robert Redford -- yes, that Robert Redford -- has declared himself in opposition to the proposed Pebble Mine near Alaska's Bristol Bay. The actor and director wrote in an Earth Day op-ed on Huffington Post that he's "not against mining," but is against putting mines where they don't belong. Such a location is the proposed footprint of the copper, gold and molybdenum mine, Redford says,... [Click here to read more](#)

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